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## MY AUNT POLLY.

The greenest grass, the sweetest flowers, grew at Aunt Polly's door,
The finest apples, miles around, Aunt Polly's orchard bore;
Aunt Polly's cows were sleek and fat, her chicks a wondrous size,
And Jabez Smith, the hired man, was witty, great and wise.
I used to go with Jabe at night, with clinking pails to milk;
Sometimes he'd let me feed the colts and rub their coats of silk;
And the moon that rose in those days, just behind the cattle bars,
Was twice as large as it is now—with twice as many stars.

Aunt Polly was a quaint old soul—a busy bee—by day
Hiving the honey up for all, with never thought of pay.
How many dawns we watched the sun, uprising in the east,
Shake out its banners o'er the hills and drive away the mist!

Gold-winged arrows pierced the gloom of valley, wood and nook,
Bright flecks of crimson rode the clouds and tumbled in the brook,
Gave back with cheer the apple's hue, the pumpkin's, and the squash,
Till dear Aunt Polly would exclaim, "What a perfect day to wash!"

What steam of incense then would rise from dear Aunt Polly's tub!
For sun and sky her heart gave praise with each all-cleansing rub;
No skylark's note, no poet's song, more praiseful than the tune
She hummed the while her linen white upon the grass lay strewn.
Aunt Polly, faithful, gentle, entered long since to reward;
Her kind old face has slept for years beneath the churchyard sward;
For her has dawned another day, more perfect, bright and glad
Than when she rubbed the snowy clothes, while I stood by—a lad.

—Edith Keeley Stokely, in Youth's Companion.

## THE MAKESHIFT OF JONAS KEMP.

By Annie Hamilton Donnell.

Clarissa Kemp—late, very late—Clarissa Collins—carried each pot to the back door and inverted it briskly. The little heap grew high and unstable. There were a good many pots, and it was quite a distance from the sitting room window to the back door. Clarissa was tired when the stained green-painted shelves were emptied and all the litter swept up.

"There!" she breathed with a little gasp of relief, sinking into a rocker, "I'm thankful that job's done with! It's been staring at me ever since I came."

Clarissa invariably spoke of the day, a few weeks ago, when she and Jonas drove from the minister's into the little trim side-yard, as "when I came." Since that day there had been a good many reforms at the Kemp place. The heap of discarded geraniums and fuchsias was only one of them.

"I can't and I won't abide a mess of plants round, littering! There's enough, goodness knows, that's got to litter without putting up with what ain't got to. You've got to water 'em, and you've got to putter with 'em and coddle 'em, an' there's always a mussy, wet place under 'em and sprigs and dry leaves. I can't abide 'em if other folks can. Those that like 'em are perfectly welcome—I don't."

Clarissa rocked backward and forward in the capacious, calico-softened chair, communing aloud. Her comely, middle-aged face had a look of relief upon it. Once only a slight shade of remorse quivered across it and was gone.

"He'd ought to know I'd do it," she muttered, "and he ought to have got his mind made up by this time. I've given him time enough—ever since I came. I told him, ten minutes after, that I couldn't fellowship with a mess of plants. I guess that was good and fair warning!"

The rockers took to sudden creaking as if pleading in Jonas' behalf. In the sunny windows the green shelves looked bare and lonesome. There were little round circles, smaller and larger, side by side along their lengths, where the pots had stood. The biggest circle of all spoke pathetically of Jonas' pet cactus that bore the dainty pink flowers among its spines—that "Alwildy" had set store by. Alwilda was the wife that had driven from the minister's into the trim yard first. Even Jonas was hardly fonder of plants than Alwilda had been.

"There's some sense to having windows to sit by that you can see out of," mused Clarissa contentedly, gazing out on the strip of meandering roadway stretching bleakly away up hill. "Now I can see the people passing—there's Deacon Pottle coming a'ready! I can tell it's the deacon by the way the horse wags his head and meeches along down the hill. Seems to me I'd have a creature with some kind of spirit to him. Why, no; it's Jonas—as I live!"

With a sudden accession of nervousness, Clarissa Kemp snatched a rug and hurried to the back door. Jonas and the old horse were turning into the lane. She could hear the pound, pound of clumsy hoofs on the hard clay. She threw the rug over the heap of broken plants and waited to pull down one corner across the tiers of interlocked earthen pots beside it.

"I don't want it to come on him all in a heap," she murmured. "Jonas has to have time to get used to things. He ain't a sudden man, Jonas ain't. I've found that out since I came."

Then she hurried back to the rocking chair by the window. Jonas was just plodding past.

"Why, ain't you early, Jonas?" Clarissa called, a little breathless with hurrying. "It's only 3 o'clock. I wasn't looking for you back till supper time."

"Yes, I am early—whoa, back, Dennis, wh-o-a!—but the town meeting ris' early. We got through our doings sooner'n we expected to. They appointed me moderator."

Jonas' voice had a ring of modest pride in it. Clarissa laughed appreciatively.

"I should say you'd moderate splendidly, Jonas," she said, "but I shouldn't 've supposed you'd 've moderated so fast!"

The old horse started up and went staidly on toward the barn, with the trail of Clarissa's laughter in his wake.

"Clarissy's a real humorous woman," pondered Jonas; "she's got all of it that Alwildy didn't have. Whoa, back, Dennis!"

If Jonas noticed the unwieldy heap under Clarissa's rug on his way back to the house he said nothing about it. It was not Jonas Kemp's way to say things. In the trig little sitting room the bared shelves and the unwonted inflow of sunshine across them appealed dumbly to him, and Jonas answered as dumbly. His seamed old face turned doggedly away from the windows, and the pain on it was only visible to the faint, sweet face of Alwilda looking out of the daguerreotype on the wall. Clarissa's keen eyes did not see it.

Twenty years divided Jonas and Clarissa Kemp, and Clarissa was not young. She had tailored and stitched away all her young years in her small village shop before she came. It had been a seven days' wonder to Clarissa's friends and twice thrice that to Clarissa herself, that she had locked her shop door and gone to the minister's with Jonas Kemp.

After supper that night Jonas did his chores and took down his pipe. Clarissa permitted no smoking indoors—pipes were even worse than a mess o' littering plants. You could abide the smell of flowers, but tobacco—faugh! So Jonas had his evening smoke under the stars, or, rainy nights, sitting on the saw-horse in the woodshed. Alwilda had "liked" the smell of his pipe. Heaven forgive the gentle little prevarication!

When Jonas went in again at early bedtime the heap of pots and bruised plants was cleared neatly away, and Jonas had the rug, well shaken, under his arm. He spread it with precise painstaking in exactly its place on the sitting room floor.

"I found it out by the back door, Clarissy," he said gently.

"Um-m-m," mumbled Clarissa, a little taken aback. And that was all that was ever said about the plants.

After that, if Clarissa had not been occupied continually with keeping the house "unlittered" and most spotlessly prim, she would have taken notice that Jonas stayed a good deal—somewhere—out-of-doors. He spent rare minutes only in his old place beside the sitting room window. And passers-by—if there had been any passers-by—on the grassy cross road that ran past the old, unpainted Kemp barn would have looked curiously at the big barn windows. There were two of them, and both were a-bloom with red geraniums and gay with purple and crimson fuchsias. Rough deal shelves stretched behind the cobwebbed panes, and every one was brightly tenanted.

But passers-by were few, and Clarissa never passed by. Her way, when she went abroad, was by the wider main road that ran uphill and down again to town. Clarissa never went to the barn. Jonas Kemp and the cows, the great barn cat and Dennis were the only ones that saw the red geraniums blooming bravely in the barn windows—unless, who can tell?—unless Alwilda saw them.

Another thing Clarissa might have noticed was how long the old pipe lay untouched on the kitchen mantel. Jonas went out to his evening smoke night after night—without it! If it had been his way to say things he might have said that when one's plants have been destroyed ruthlessly one must replace them somehow even if one must buy them with the tobacco one misses filling the old pipe with. And that would have explained the times of late that Jonas had driven alone to the little city down the river and come back, past Clarissa's window and Clarissa's curious eyes, with a queer, humpy load "in behind."

"Humph! Now I wonder what Jonas 's got all tucked up in behind," Clarissa would muse, eyeing suspiciously the humps. "'Tisn't grain an' tisn't critters—live ones anyway. And he couldn't 've got 'em if they were alive, not without my knowing where the money had gone to."

But Clarissa had not put her curious thoughts into questions, and the times of being curious and the knobby, covered loads "in behind" Jonas had gone by together. She was very busy all the late summer and early fall sewing rags for her gay new carpet that was to transfigure the dull little corner parlor where nobody went and nobody wanted to go.

One afternoon, as she sewed, she heard Jonas' plodding feet tap slowly up the walk and Jonas' heavy breath keeping time to the taps. What in land of goodness was Jonas coming in that time o' day for? It was so unusual that Clarissa let the strip of red and yellow rags slide out of her lap and curl like a brilliant serpent at her feet. Jonas "came in" so seldom, lately, except to his meals. She hardly saw his unsmiling old face from morning to night, for she had formed the habit of setting his dinner out on the meal chest in the porch and letting him eat it alone. Her own dinner she could "pick up" on the run, and it saved such a pile of litter and mess that way.

Jonas plodded in. He looked bent and feeble.

"You aren't sick, are you, Jonas?" Clarissa asked a little anxiously.

"Oh, no—no, I guess I ain't sick, Clarissy. I guess not," answered Jonas, dully. He crossed to the mantel and took down his pipe and blew the dust from it. A little glint of eagerness crept into his eyes—it was so much like shaking hands with an old friend again.

"Where are you going to?

"Jest for a little smoke, Clarissy—jest for a little smoke."

"Land of goodness—at two o'clock in the afternoon! Jonas Kemp, you aren't losing your faculties, I hope!"

Jonas peered up at the old clock above him and then at the afternoon sun riding across the heavens. He looked dazed. The pipe slipped through his fingers unnoticed and lay in two pieces on the bare floor.

"I guess I got mixed up, Clarissy; I thought 'twas after supper," he explained with an apologetic attempt at laughing. "I guess I'll go out and wait a spell, till 'tis."

But at supper time Jonas did not appear. Half-past five, six, half-past six—still no Jonas. At quarter of seven Clarissa was frightened. Dim forebodings tugged at her heart-strings till they vibrated dismally.

"I'll go hunt Jonas up," she said briskly, shutting her ears to the sound. "It's just as likely as not he's fallen sound asleep somewhere. He's getting real old, Jonas is."

She went through the porch and carriage house and then with quickened steps up to the barn. It was a new trip, up over the stony path, for Clarissa, and the stones hurt her feet.

"For the land of goodness' sake!" she cried shrilly at the barn door. The flowers in the windows—row on row of them—danced dizzily before her eyes. In Clarissa Kemp's and Clarissa Collins' life she had never been so astonished.

One of the windows was raised a little, and the breeze crept in and set all the bright flowers nodding, friendly-wise, at her.

Row on row, shelf on shelf—for the land of goodness' sake! But how cozy and homelike they looked! How pleasant the weathered old barn looked!

Then Clarissa went in. As long as she lived—and the Collinses came of a long-lived race—she never forgot the things she saw that afternoon in Jonas Kemp's barn. The strip of carpet by one of the windows, the broken chairs set about Alwildy's mother's spinning wheel, the light of the sun through the geranium leaves and, dimly, on the haymows behind and on all the cobwebs and cobwebs—and Jonas there, asleep. Clarissa saw them all. She saw them over and over again till she died.

"Jonas!" she called softly, after a minute or two. "Jonas, it's supper time—Jonas!"

She went up to him and prodded his shoulder with her thimbled finger—Clarissa nearly always wore her thimble, to have it "handy."

"Jonas!"

She tilted his drooping old face toward her and the light. It was twisted and white.

"Oh, he's got a stroke—Jonas!—Jonas!—he's got a stroke!" Clarissa cried wildly.

Jonas opened his eyes and looked at her in an unacquainted, troubled way.

"It's pleasant—out here," he murmured thickly. "The plants—don't take 'em—away!"

"Jonas, dear Jonas, you must get right up and come into the house with me—me, Clarissy, Jonas. Don t you know Clarissy?"

"I know somebody—Alwildy," murmured Jonas, trying to smile with his twisted lips. One arm hung limp beside him, and he touched it curiously with his other hand.

"It doesn't belong to me," he said. After a little while his mind grew quite clear again, and then he pleaded to stay with his flowers.

"Couldn't I lay in bed out here, Clarissy?" he asked timidly. "Jest till I feel better? The plants 'll miss me—an' I like it out here—I like it out here—like it out here."

Again and again he mumbled it wistfully.

The tune Clarissa's heart-strings were wailing almost broke her heart.

She got help at a neighbor's, and they took Jonas home. He was dozing all the way. It was almost a day later when Jonas fully awoke.

"Ain't it—pleasant—out here—in the barn, Clarissy?" he whispered, happily. "I like it out here—don't you?"

"Yes," Clarissa said brightly. "I like it 'out here,' Jonas."

The green-painted shelves had back their old tenants and new tenants, row upon row. The windows opposite Jonas' bed were full of geraniums and gay purple and red fuchsias, and the cactus was there that Alwilda had loved. Her mother's spinning wheel stood on a strip of carpeting near Jonas. How pleasant it looked "out there!" How the sunshine filtered through the geranium leaves and made dancing traceries on the wall. A sprig of the sun leaves lay across Clarissa's face, and Jonas smiled at it like a pleased child.

"Clarissy," he whispered eagerly, "can't we stay out here always? I like it out here."

Clarissa's eyes fell on a tiny litter of dry leaves under a window.

"Yes, Jonas," she smiled, "yes, we'll stay 'out here' always. I like it, too."—Country Gentleman.

## QUAINT AND CURIOUS.

Horses in the Philippines are a curiosity. The few that are raised in the islands are too small to brand.

There is a rosary in the British museum made of the vertebræ of a snake's backbone. Another is composed of rats' teeth.

The Dutch fishermen kill the fish caught as soon as they reach the shore, while the French fishermen leave their booty to die of suffocation.

In England the year formerly began with the 25th of March. It was not until 1752 that the first of January was made the beginning of the legal year.

The Clarendon Street Baptist church of Boston has a Chinese Sunday school whose average attendance is 200. This school supports two native missionaries in China.

Untamed camels are not the docile creatures they are taught to become after months of breaking. In the wild state they are extremely vicious, and can kick harder, higher, swifter and oftener than a mule, and sometimes seem to use all four feet at once.

Mrs. Ann Smith of Worcester, England, 110 years of age, has spent over a hundred years of her life in traveling from fair to fair in a van. She has had sixteen children, and one of her daughters, now 80 years of age, has also had sixteen. Mrs. Smith eats four meals a day, drinks sparingly of intoxicants, smokes a clay pipe steadily, and attends to all her household duties herself.

Begun twenty-five years ago, the British Museum catalogue of birds has just been completed, in twenty-seven large volumes. It attempts to give a list of every kind of bird known at the time of publication, and describes 11,614 species, belonging to 2255 genera and 124 families; 400,000 specimens, 350,000 of which are in the British Museum collection, are referred to in the work.

## MORE THAN A BILLION.

### EXPORT TRADE THE LARGEST IN OUR HISTORY.

**The Year 1898 Beats All Previous Records in Sales Abroad of Domestic Products, While the Imports Are the Smallest Since the Year 1885.**

The manner in which our national wealth is being increased as the result of an economic policy which stimulates the use of domestic products while at the same time enabling the producers of the United States to reach out after foreign markets is set forth in the figures furnished by the Treasury Department Bureau of Statistics. From these figures it is certain that the calendar year 1898 will be a record breaking year in the matter of export trade. Only twice in our history have the exports in a calendar year passed the billion dollar line; in 1898 they will be a billion and a quarter. During the eleven months of 1898 ending with November they are greater than in any full calendar year preceding, the total for the eleven months being $1,117,681,199, and it is apparent that the December statement will bring the grand total for the year above $1,250,000,000. The November exports were $129,783,512, the largest in any month in the history of our commerce.

Of breadstuffs the exports for the eleven months ending with November, 1898, are the largest in our history, being $277,136,341, against $223,211,617 in the great exporting year of 1892; provisions are for the eleven months $148,417,850, against $125,297,007 in the eleven months of 1892. Cotton for the eleven months amounts to $192,323,391, a figure slightly below that of 1896, though the total number of pounds exported by far exceeds that of the corresponding months in any preceding year, being for the eleven months 3,436,032,504, or, measured in bales, 6,722,283, a larger total in bales or pounds than that of any full calendar year preceding.

Equally gratifying is that portion of the showing which relates to the largely diminished purchase of articles of foreign production and the correspondingly increased consumption of domestic products. It is herein that the American policy becomes effective in piling up national wealth to figures so vast as to startle the financiers of Europe, who are growing more and more solicitous as to the enormous credit balances which are being accumulated by this country.

The import record of the year 1898 will be as remarkable as that relating to its exports, but for opposite reasons, the total imports for the year being less than those of any calendar year since 1885. For the month of November they were $52,109,560 only, which was slightly less than those of November, 1897, and less, with three exceptions, than those of any November since 1885. For the eleven months ending with November they were $579,844,153 only, while those of the corresponding months of 1897 were $691,089,266, and those of the eleven months of 1896, $622,598,896. It is thus apparent that the imports for the full calendar year 1898 will not exceed $640,000,000, a sum less than that of any calendar year since 1885, and fully a hundred million dollars less than that of the calendar year 1897.

The year 1898 will naturally show the largest balance of trade in our favor ever presented in any calendar year. The figures for the eleven months show an excess of exports over imports amounting to $537,837,046, and the December figures will bring the total excess of exports for the calendar year above the $600,000,000 line, making an average excess of exports for the year more than $50,000,000 a month. The highest excess of exports in any preceding calendar year was $357,090,914 in 1897 and $324,263,685 in 1896.

The gold imports for the eleven months ending with November are $149,396,370. No full calendar year, save 1896, ever reached the hundred-million-dollar line, and in that year the total for the twelve months was $104,731,259. The effect of this large importation of gold, in conjunction with the increased production from our own mines, is plainly visible in the increased circulation of that metal. The gold in circulation on December 1, 1898, was $658,986,513, against $544,494,748 on December 1, 1897; $516,729,882 on December 1, 1896. The total circulation on December 1, 1898, was $1,886,879,504, against $1,721,084,538 on December 1, 1897; $1,650,223,400 on December 1, 1896, and $1,509,725,200 on July 1, 1896.

**It is High Time.**

We are still paying $200,000,000 a year to foreign shipowners to carry our surplus produce to foreign markets. This is because American ships and shipping have never been properly encouraged and protected. We have wonderfully developed all our industries by properly protecting them. It is high time we should develop our foreign commerce in the same way. One-half of what we pay to foreign shipowners annually for freightage would make our own merchant marine equal to England's in ten years and then we would put the $200,000,000 into the pockets of our own people which the foreigners now get. Let Congress at once enact laws giving our commercial marine proper encouragement. Next to a bill assuring the continuance of sound money a good bill protecting our commerce should command the attention of our legislators.—Bedford (Penn.) Inquirer.

**In the Hands of Foreigners.**

We must own our ships. We are making ten times as much as we can carry, and there is no reason why we should give one of the most productive lines of business in which any country can engage into the hands of foreigners.—El Paso (Texas) Herald.

**An Effective Combination.**

President Ritchie, of the London Board of Trade, notes as a fact regretable from the English point of view, that since 1891 United States exports have increased eighteen per cent., while those of Great Britain have fallen off five per cent. Protection of industries and expansion of trade go well in conbination.—Troy (N. Y.) Record.

## PROTESTS AT SANTIAGO.

### The Order to Send Customs Receipts to Havana is Denounced.

### AN UPRISING IS THREATENED.

**General Wood Will Protest to President McKinley Against Sending Santiago's Customs Receipts to Havana—The Order is Denounced in Mass Meeting—The Threats Made by Cubans.**

SANTIAGO DE CUBA (By Cable).—General Leonard Wood, Military Governor of the Province of Santiago, has left for Washington on board the transport Mississippi, having been granted a leave of absence.

The reason of the General's departure is unquestionably the order received from Havana to transmit the entire customs receipts each week to that city. As previously stated, compliance with these instructions would involve the abandonment of many

GENERAL LEONARD WOOD.

necessary public improvements, would throw 10,000 Cubans out of employment, and send them to the hills to become bandits, and would revive Spain's practice of monetary centralization which caused most of her troubles in Cuba.

It is believed General Wood is desirous of seeing the President on this subject. He expresses the emphatic opinion that the customs receipts should be expended in the respective provinces in which they are taken, with the exception of such a percentage for Havana as may be necessary for governmental expenditure, geological surveys and other features of public business of that character.

There was a mass meeting here a few days ago of business men of all kinds to protest against the order from Havana. It was held in the plaza, and was attended by 3000 persons. Energetic speeches were made against the policy of centralizing money at Havana. Most of the speakers declared that the principle which it was now proposed to put into effect again had been fought against by them for thirty years. All were exceedingly eulogistic in their references to General Wood, imploring him to use his influence with the Washington Government against a revival of one of the worst features of the Spanish regime.

Colonel Valiento, the Cuban who was appointed Chief of the gendarmerie, was quite outspoken on the subject. He said the Cubans had fought thirty years against this policy, and they were ready to fight thirty years more if necessary.

The local papers assert that if such an order is enforced it will mean if not civil war, at least anarchy and riot in the Province of Santiago, calling for a large force of United States troops.

**A PROCLAMATION BY GOMEZ.**

**Says He Will Not Lay Down His Sword Until the Army is Paid.**

HAVANA, Cuba (By Cable).—General Maximo Gomez, Commander-in-Chief of the Cuban Army, was recently invited by the Junta Patriotica to visit Havana. At a meeting of the Junta on Tuesday a letter was read from General Gomez, in which he refused to come to the city, basing his refusal on the ground that his place is at the head of the army. He added: "Much tact and wisdom are necessary to make the American heel less severe on our necks. You need to display great intelligence, ability and well-directed energy."

In a proclamation addressed to the Cuban people and army General Gomez says: "A new era has begun. The enemies of our army are leaving the country, and the sovereignty of the island, which is neither free nor independent, is exercised by the great American nation. According to the treaty of peace a foreign Power is on the island, and its military occupation cannot end until the Government of the Cuban people is established. We ought to immediately put ourselves to the task of forming that government in order to end the American intervention as quickly as possible, but before this it is necessary, because it is just, and in order that all of us can become civilians, to end satisfactorily the negotiations for the payment of the army, a debt contracted by the country with its faithful soldiers. While the army is not paid and our Government not established I will remain at the head of the army, which I deem is my place. I am resolved to help the Cubans and the work to which I have devoted all my life."

## IMPERIAL EDICT IN CHINA.

**Empress Dowager Declares There is a Severe Crisis and Calls For Reforms.**

PEKING, China (By Cable).—An imperial edict, issued by the Empress Dowager, remarks that China is "passing through a severe crisis in her history." It reminds Viceroys and Governors of the numerous edicts that have been issued lately ordering administrative reforms, points out that many of these have not been observed, and commands the immediate institution of reforms in the methods of training troops, in agriculture, in manufacture, and in everything likely to conduce to the prosperity of the empire. It directs the Viceroys and Governors to memorialize the Throne within a month that these reforms have been inaugurated.

This edict is highly significant as showing that the Empress Dowager realizes that the position is serious, and that all hope of the country's future lies solely in reform.

**The Estate of Calvin S. Brice.**

A petition for letters of administration on the estate of the late ex-Senator Calvin S. Brice, filed in the Surrogate's office in New York City a few days ago states that no real property was left by the decedent, and that his personal estate is valued at $600,000.

**Lord Beresford's Quadruple Alliance.**

Lork Charles Beresford, in a speech before the British Chamber of Commerce at Hong Kong, China, advocated an alliance between Great Britain, the United States, Germany, and Japan to maintain the "open door" in China.

**Spain Will Resist British Pressure.**

Official circles in Madrid, Spain, are warmly discussing the attitude of Great Britain, owing to her pressing demands that Spain sell her a coaling station in the Balearic Islands and other strategical points, so as to render Gibraltar unassailable. Negotiations on the subject have been in abeyance, owing to Premier Sagasta's illness, but it is believed that Spain, influenced by France and Russia, will resist the demands of Great Britain.

**Havana Full of Franchise Seekers.**

Havana is filled with franchise seekers, and American speculators are swarming throughout Cuba.

## THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

**Washington Items.**

The cost of the regular army, under the provisions of the Hull bill, was fixed at $82,053,665, an increase of $57,710,231.

The House passed the bill for the creation of an additional Judge in the Sixth Judicial Circuit.

The President has approved the Urgent Deficiency bill covering the deficiencies in the army and navy expenditures during the last six months.

Senor Calvo, representative of Costa Rica, was presented to President McKinley in the advanced rank of Minister Plenipotentiary; Senor Correa was presented as Charge d'Affaires at Nicaragua.

The Anglo-American Joint High Commission has resumed its sessions.

The Woman's National Cuban Relief Association has decided to maintain an industrial training school for Cubans at Havana, to be known as the "Martha Thurston Industrial School." The name is in memory of Mrs. Thurston, wife of Senator Thurston, who was a vice-president of the association.

Admiral Dewey cabled the Navy Department a recommendation that a naval hospital be established at Cavite. He said that a building large enough to hold twenty cots was available.

**Domestic.**

Attorney-General Monnett filed in the Ohio Supreme Court a petition to oust the National Biscuit Company from doing business as a trust in Ohio. The Attorney-General claims that the Biscuit Company is capitalized for $55,000,000, but only has $5,000,000 in the business.

An infernal machine exploded in the railroad depot in New Albany, Miss., injuring five men fatally. It was sent from Holly Springs, Miss., to a man at New Albany, who is indicted for murder. He was opening it when the explosion occurred.

Judge Smith, of the Common Pleas Court at Cincinnati, Ohio, has issued a temporary order restraining eighteen pottery companies in Ohio from joining the Pottery Trust.

In his inaugural address Governor Gage, of California, made a strong plea for expansion. He said the Philippines must be retained, and that no shortsighted policy should lose for us land that had been baptized with American blood.

Zenas Anderson, colored, who shot and killed his wife on the 13th of last March, was hanged in the county jail at Pittsburg, Penn., a few days ago. Jealousy was the cause of the crime.

A barn near Banks, Ala., belonging to a white farmer named Green, was burned by an incendiary, together with several hundred bushels of corn and other produce. Suspicion was directed toward Marshall McGregor, a negro in Green's employ. A few days ago the negro's lifeless body was found hanging by the neck to a big oak tree near where the barn had stood. Who his lynchers were is a mystery.

The Governor and other State officers of Wyoming for the coming four years were inaugurated on Monday at Cheyenne. Governor De Forest Richards succeeds W. A. Richards. All of the outgoing and incoming officials are Republicans.

Benjamin W. Cumming, Jr., elected as the Democratic candidate for District Attorney of Schuylkill County, declined to take the oath of office at Pottsville, Penn., on Monday. The Court immediately appointed Guy E. Farquhar to act as District Attorney for the term.

The Assabet Manufacturing Company, of Boston, Mass., has assigned for the benefit of its creditors. The total liabilities are said to be a trifle over $1,000,000. The failure was due to hard times and the tightness of the money market.

Spirit thermometers registered forty degrees below zero in Keene, N. H., a few days ago and forty-two degrees below at West Keene. The day is said to have been the coldest in a quarter of a century.

Private Starr Dare, Company I, First Infantry, whose home is in San Francisco, died at the hospital at Huntsville,, Ala., a few days ago from a gunshot wound received Christmas night. Mack Lightfoot, Dare's murderer, has been committed to jail without bond.

Torrey E. Wardner, editor of the Boston Traveler, who was committed to Dedham (Mass.) jail for thirty days for contempt of court by Judge Sherman, was released a few days ago, having purged himself of the contempt.

Charles A. Brewer, ex-postmaster of Paulding, Ohio, shot and killed his wife after which he placed the revolver to his own head and blew out his brains. Domestic incompatibility was the cause of the shooting.

**Foreign.**

The Chateau Tagstern, eleven miles from Char, Switzerland, was burned to the ground.

The younger Cuban military leaders are said to be tired of the domination of General Gomez.

Sir Thomas Lipton, in London, says he has signed agreements with Captains "Archie" Hogarth, formerly of the Isolde, and Robert Wringe to command the America's Cup challenger, Shamrock.

The Duke of Marlborough has been appointed at London Paymaster General in succession to the Earl of Hopetoun, who has been made Lord Chamberlain, succeeding the late Earl of Lathom.

Next year's naval estimates for Italy it is asserted, will provide for eight new battleships, two being of the first class.

Eight political prisoners have been found in jail at Havana, Cuba, but they seem to have no friends who would urge their release.

Mrs. Bloomfield Moore, the Philadelphia woman who befriended Keely, the inventor, died at London, it is said of a broken heart, having suffered a great shock recently when Mr. Keely died before the success of their enterprise had been assured.

The Army Gazette at Berlin, Germany publishes an Imperial Cabinet order substituting German for words of French origin now employed in the army. The order declares that Emperor William is desirous of promoting the use of pure German in the army.

St. George's Cathedral, the largest Anglican church in the diocese, of Kingston, Ont., was destroyed by fire, as well as several small buildings adjoining. The loss will reach $50,000.

Schneider, the homeless Pole who killed a London baker and threw the body into the man's own oven, was executed at Newgate.

The Treasury statement of the British Government for the last quarter of 1898 shows the revenue to have been $143,161,690, against $133,843,360 for the corresponding period of 1897.

Serious strike riots have taken place at Nagy-Komlos, county of Torontal, Hungary. The mob overpowered and disarmed the police, who narrowly escaped with their lives. Finally the police were re-enforced and the rioters suppressed.

## A CURE FOR SNAKE BITES.

**French Scientist Discovers a Serum That Checks the Effect of Poison.**

Consul Skinner, at Marseilles, reports to the Government at Washington that Dr. Calmette, of the Pasteur Institute at Lille, has discovered an anti-venomous serum, by means of which the poisoning from snake bites can always be checked and death prevented if the serum be injected within four hours after the person has been bitten.

The Consul adds that Dr. Calmette is a young man of distinguished ability, and, in addition to his scientific discoveries, has provided means from his private resources for the Pasteur Institute at Lille. The full text of the report has been transmitted to the Marine Hospital service.

**A Big Land Deal in Indiana.**

One of the most notable land deals ever made in Indiana was consummated the other day by a firm in Ligonier, Ind. The Wood estate, in Grant County, consisting of 1100 acres of land which has 1,000,000 feet of walnut and 1,000,000 feet of pine, was purchased for a large sum. The deed has on it names of some of the most prominent men in New York, and was at one time the property of Alexander Hamilton, having been deeded to him by an Indian Chief.

## HAVERHILL'S SOCIALIST MAYOR.

**Measures Affecting Workingmen Recommended in His Inaugural Speech.**

HAVERHILL, Mass. (Special). — Mayor Chase, the Socialist who was elected at the recent election, in his inaugural speech gave assurance that he would use the limited power of his office in the defense and support of the principles of socialism, in so far as they may be applied to a municipality. With this aim he made these three specific recommendations:

First—The passage of an order establishing the minimum wage for street employes at $2 for eight hours' work.

Second—Union wages and conditions to prevail in all brick and stone masons' work performed under the direction of the Street Department.

Third—All city printing to bear the union label.

In order to relieve the unemployed, he recommended:

First—That a suitable tract of land be secured for the raising of food products and that such of the unemployed as desire be permitted to use said land, the city to furnish proper seeds and tools.

Second—The enlargement of the fuel yard at the City Farm to such proportions as will permit all who desire to earn by their labor such fuel as they may require.

Third—The appropriation of such an amount of money as circumstances may warrant to be used in providing employment directly upon public works, not in competition with the regular employees of the city, but upon special works, two kinds of which he suggests: First, improvement of the park system and, second, construction of a system of bicycle paths through all principal thoroughfares.

## FIVE BOYS WHIPPED IN COURT.

**Indiana Judge's Unusual Sentence For Youthful Thieves.**

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (Special).—Minor Garrett, E. Gardner, Elijah Scott, Frank Curl and William Morris, boys ranging in age from ten to twelve years, received public whippings in the police court here a few days ago.

The boys had stolen old washboilers. Their parents had the option from Judge Winfrey of whipping the boys or of having them sent to the reform school. The boys were led to the hall by the turnkey and each lashed twenty-five times. Their yells could be heard for two blocks away. One of the boys was so weak after the flogging that he could hardly walk from the police station.

## GENERAL LAWTON'S COMMAND.

**Ordered to the Philippines to Succeed Major-General Otis.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The War Department has ordered Major-General H. W. Lawton to Manila to assume command of the military forces of the United States in the Philippines. Major-General Elwell S. Otis is to be the Military Governor of the islands.

Major-General Otis cannot be appointed

MAJOR-GENERAL H. W. LAWTON.

Military Governor until the ratification of the treaty of peace and the islands formally pass into the control of the United States, but the authorities are satisfied that by the time General Lawton reaches his destination the treaty will have been ratified.

## GENERAL RIOS DESTROYED FORTS.

**The Spanish General's Work of Destruction Before He Evacuated Iloilo.**

MADRID, Spain (By Cable).—General Rios, the Spanish commander (who evacuated Iloilo and let the insurgents in), cables that he has arrived at Manila on the Leon XIII., after having completely evacuated the Visayas and the northern part of the Island of Mindanao, and after blowing up fourteen forts and the fleet of gunboats on Lake Lano.

He reports that 1600 Spanish troops are concentrated at Zamboanga under the command of General Montero.

Rios says that before quitting the trenches at Iloilo he warned the Insurgents that if they fired a single shot he would raze the town.

He has sailed for Spain.

## LIKE A SPARTAN FATHER.

**Warden Woodbridge Received His Son as a Prisoner in Hartford.**

HARTFORD, Conn. (Special).—In the Superior Court Warden Woodbridge's son, Kirk, was sentenced to a four-year term in the prison. He was clerk at the prison, and in the past five years robbed the State of about $10,000.

The son was taken to the prison a few days ago to serve his sentence, along with a dozen other handcuffed prisoners, and was received at the gates by his father, the warden, who refused to recognize him. The resignation of the father has been accepted.

**Four Miners Drop to Death.**

By the ignorance of a new engineer four men were killed and one severely hurt in the Jumper Mine, near Jameston, Cal., a few days ago. The dead miners are Robert Jones, F. E. Anderson, Charles A. Harney and C. Rhine. Frank Kastellac was severely injured. These men, with Morgan and O'Brien, were being lowered to the 600 and 700-foot levels. O'Brien left the skip at the 600-foot level and gave the usual signal of two bells to let the cage go down to the next level. The engineer hoisted the cage and then let it drop 180 feet to the bottom of the shaft, killing all except Kastellac.

**English Cartridges For Our Use.**

A company in Birmingham, England, has begun making 10,000,000 cartridges for the United States, at the rate of 1,000,000 weekly. An American inspector examines the work, and, profiting by the war experiences, a special metal is used to prevent the cases from jamming in the barrels.

**Danes Expelled From Germany.**

Thirty fresh expulsions of Danes from North Schleswig, Germany, have been ordered in consequence of the attendance of their employes at a meeting addressed by Herr Hanssen, a Danish Deputy.

**Mormons Oppose Roberts.**

The reorganized Church of Christ, Latter Day Saints, of Independence, Mo., a congregation of 800 Mormons, the largest outside of Utah, has passed resolutions unanimously opposing the seating of Congressman-elect Roberts. The church is of the Josephite branch of the Mormons, which is opposed to polygamy, and has 40,000 members in the United States.

**The Gold Basis For Cuba.**

President McKinley at Washington has issued an order regulating the financial system of Cuba and fixing the standard of values on a gold basis.

## THE MARKETS.

**Late Wholesale Prices of Country Produce Quoted in New York.**

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| **BUTTER.** | | | |
| Creamery—West. extras.. | $ — | @ | 21 |
| Firsts | 18 | @ | 20 |
| Thirds to seconds | 15 | @ | 18 |
| State—Thirds to firsts | 18 | @ | 19 |
| State Dairy tubs, extras | — | @ | 18 |
| Imitation Creamery | 18 | @ | 17 |
| Factory, fresh firsts | 13½ | @ | 14 |
| Low grades | 12 | @ | 13 |
| **CHEESE.** | | | |
| State—Full cream, fancy | 9¾ | @ | 10¼ |
| Small | 10¾ | @ | 11 |
| Part skims, good to prime | 6 | @ | 6½ |
| Full skims | 3½ | @ | 4 |
| **EGGS.** | | | |
| Nearby—Fancy | — | @ | 32 |
| State and Penn—Fresh | — | @ | 30 |
| Western—Choice | — | @ | 29 |
| Southern—Choice | 28 | @ | 28½ |
| **BEANS AND PEAS.** | | | |
| Beans—Marrow, choice, 1898 | 1 50 | @ | 1 52½ |
| Medium, 1898 | 1 30 | @ | 1 32½ |
| Pea, choice, 1898 | — |

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### The Scallop.

The scallop accomplishes locomotion by a series of leaps. When it is alarmed, or wishes to change its location, it opens and energetically closes its valves, thus expelling the water. The reaction shoots it backward. By this means the creature is able to travel long distances. Sometimes scallops make considerable journeys in large companies. One can scarcely imagine a lovelier sight than that of a flock of these pretty creatures, with shell of every hue, from purple and white to black, enlivened with shades of pink, yellow and fawn, darting about in clear water. In their flightlike movements, vertical, horizontal and zigzag, they are more suggestive of a flock of winged animals than of bivalve mollusks.

### Ice In Polar Regions.

When the sea freezes, first is formed the thin flake called by navigators "sludge," and as soon as this catches and holds snow it is termed "brash." When it gathers and doubles, the whalers style it "pancake" or "bay ice." If you can see the limit of this, it will be "a floe," and an "icefield" if its boundaries are out of sight.

"Pack ice" consists of floes forced together and overlapping, and when this again becomes broken and scattered by a new wind the name of it is "sailing ice."

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### QUESTIONS TO BE DECIDED.

Grave questions now confront the patriotism of the American people. A war of humanity has shattered the fetters of millions of human beings and placed the blessings of liberty within the grasp of people heretofore ruled by despotism which blighted every noble impulse and quenched the flame of every patriotic inspiration. A war of conquest, though incidental in character, has, in its results for our country, the appearance of a manifestation of destiny. Is the great republic now to take its rank triumphantly amongst the potent and influential forces which rule the world? Or is it, on the other hand, facing a condition which presages dire calamity and dangers to national existence? These questions directly concern every citizen. They appeal alike to you and to your neighbors. They are of pointed, burning interest to us all. They must be decided, for weal or woe, by our present administration, and the critical steps in that decision must be reached during this year, 1899. No Congress ever assembled in the United States has faced graver responsibilities than must be faced by the body now in session at Washington, and none has been watched more closely or with more discriminating judgment by the people.

### THE PASSING OF NORTHERN DEMOCRATS.

Not one straight Democrat from the Northern States will be a member of the next Senate whose term begins March 4th. Thirty Senators end their period of service on that day, and in filling the seats the Democrats of the North will be entirely unrepresented. It is an extraordinary fact in American politics. The Senators from Utah and Montana will be elected by fusion legislatures and are as much Populists as Democrats. A close estimate of the next Senate is fifty-four Republicans, twenty-six Democrats and ten Populists and Silverites, a Republican majority over all of eighteen. The twenty-six Democratic Senators are from the South, but this section is no longer solid. It sends ten Republicans to the next Senate. In five years the Republicans have gained eighteen seats in the Senate. They have been strengthened most in the branch where stability is the greatest, a matter of unusual political significance. The Democrats in the next Senate will number less than one-third of the whole body. while the Republicans will lack but six votes of two-thirds. A remarkable change has occurred in the Senate, but it has been spread over several years and its full importance has hardly been realized.

### THE AMERICA OF 1899.

In many important particulars the America which the world sees at the beginning of 1899 is widely different from that which it saw at the opening of 1898. The difference is moral as well as physical. Not only do its boundaries stretch over many more parallels and meridians, but its point of view and the attitude held toward it by the rest of the nations have been essentially changed. Its flag floats over territory several hundreds of miles further South and several thousands of miles farther West than any point which it touched twelve months ago. Races and people are part of its population now whom nobody expected, either in or out of the United States, to become, at this or any other time, a part of the country's inhabitants The circle of the nation's interests and activities has been immensely broadened. By over 160,000 square miles the country's area, and by over 10,000,000 the country's inhabitants have been increased since a year ago.

Spain has a peculiar way of going into mourning as a nation. The Madrid government has provided black stamps to be attached to each piece of inland mail matter. In order that every citizen shall do his share of the mourning it is further provided that the stamps must be paid for by the user, the amount to be in addition to the regular postage.

President McKinley was mildly criticised because his message was not positive and aggressive on some of the questions growing out of the war. The same critics are now wondering why he was so outspoken in his Southern speeches,

Spain maintained a mail service once a year from Manila to Guam. The United States increases it to six times a year. That is one measure of the improvement effected in the change of sovereignty.

The merits of the American plow are said to be dawning upon the Russian farmer. Our exports of grain are a testimonial to our agricultural machinery that can not be disputed.

### WASHINGTON LETTER

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Jan. 6, 1899.

Neither President McKinley nor any member of his Cabinet is at all alarmed over the situation in the Philipines, sensation publications to the contrary notwithstanding. Everything received from Gen. Otis indicates that he has the situation well in hand. The source of what trouble there is in the Philpines is bad advice given the insurgents by outsiders who are interested in making the Philipnoes suspicious of our intentions towards them. It is the policy of the administration to deal kindly and leniently with Aguinaldo and his deluded followers, unless they make a resort to harsher measures necessary. Our object is to give the islands good goverment, peace and prosperity. A very different policy will be followed towards the meddlers if the responsibility for the meddling can be officially placed.

Having nothing else to growl about the opponents of the administration are criticising President McKinley because he sent the treaty of peace to the Senate with only a short message of transmittal. He did so purposely, because the treaty speaks for itself and he prefers that it be ratified on its merits. The Committee on Foreign Relations took up the treaty at its meeting to-day, and it is expected that it will favorably reported next week. Its ratification is regarded as assured.

The House promptly got down to business on the reassembling of Congress. The providing a code of laws for Alaska was passed and the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill and the Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation bill were reported.

The House committee on Interstate Commerce will next week take up the Nicaragua Canal, and it is regarded as certain that it will report a bill provididing for the construction of the canal. Whether it will be one of the several bills now before the Committee, a combination of two or more of them, or an entirely new measure, is not certain at this time, although many express the opinion that the bill recently introduced by Representative Hepburn, of Iowa, chairman of the Committee, will be the basis of the bill reported. This bill provides for the construction of the canal solely by the United States, and the acquisition by purchase of such territory now belonging to Costa Rica and Nicaragua as may be necessary. The most serious argument yet presented against this bill is the claim that the Constitution of Nicaragua prohibits the cession of territory to any other government. Mr. Hepburn said of his bill: "It is my opinion that we can secure concessions for government construction and control of the canal at a much lower figure than the Morgan bill provides. I think all told it is proposed to expend something over $12,000,000, with Nicaragua, Costa Rica and the Maritime Canal Co. We can do it cheaper, and my bill shows how."

About 16,000 volunteers out of the 50,000 to be mustered out, have been selected by Secretary Alger. They are embraced in nearly every organization.

President McKinley will not appoint a new minister to Spain until the treaty of peace has been ratified. The idea that Gen. Steward L. Woodford, of New York, who was our minister to Spain when the war began, still holds that position, which has been widely held, was wrong. The position became vacant as soon as as Gen. Woodford returned returned to Washington and submitted his report, and the understanding is that he has no desire to hold the position again.

Gov. Rosevelt has been given the brevet rank of Brigadier General for gallant and meritorious service at the battle of San Juan, upon the recommendation of a Board of officers which as been charged with the duty of making an examination for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting to President McKinley the names of officers who deserve bevet rank for heroism.

Bishop Nichols of the Orthodox Greek Church, who recently wrote a letter to President McKinley attacking Dr. Sheldon Jackson, U. S. Educational Agent in Alaska for various alleged abuses in Alaska stirred up the wrong man. Dr. Jackson who is now in the East for the purpose of visiting the native Alaskans at the Carlisle Indian Industrial School, has made public a warm reply in which he calls attention to the fact that the Russian priests have been in Alaska more than one hundred years and yet only a very small proportion of their people can read or write; that the Russo-Greek priests have done all in their power to keep children whose parents are in their churches from attending schools, for fear they will lose them as soon as they get a little education.

### How to Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates and unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

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### An Old Soldier Speaks.

Writing to the Watkins *Express* an old battle-scared and patriotic Union soldier says: "The President's visit to Atlanta was a grand success and nothing in his speeches surpised me, except his suggestion that the confederate dead be cared for by the general government the same as those of the union soldiers. This utterance placed every old union soldier and Northern man in the South in a very delicate position, because the Southern people and ex-confederate soldiers at once turned to us and asked what we thought of it. At first, the thought seemed repugnant, as being unjust; but upon mature consideration, I have concluded that if the people of the United States as a Christian nation, in the exercise of human kindness and brotherly charity and sympathy, see fit to care for the now neglected burying grounds of the confederate dead and of the graves therein, as these of the children of one common family or brotherhood, it will indeed be a most gracious act, and one that will touch the heart of every Southerner, considering the generosity and nobleness of soul of the Southern people, of which characteristics none can better testify than those who live among them and know them best.

This work, it done, will not consist of removing the remains of the confederate dead from the burying grounds in which they lie to the national cemeteries, as any attempt to do this at this late day would prove a partial failure besides taking them away from among the many friends and relatives beside whom they are buried, but will rather consist of the building of substantial stone walls around these grounds and establishing neat drive-ways, walks, lawns and parks, and by setting up suitable monuments, markers, and headstones for the unknown and the unknown dead, and guarding them afterward. But if done at all, it should be with great unanimity and without haggling as it is a most delicate matter and should be acted upon promptly, as delay will detract from the benign influence of the act, in proportion to the amount of delay or opposition. The Southern people are generous to a fault, and this proposition of the President's will, I think, largely do away with any opposition to his favorite treaty with Spain, which may have existed among the Senators of the South, on account of increased friendship toward him personally, whether proper or not."


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### He Could Get Them.

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"Go to D.'s lecture tomorrow and take notes," said Hoar. "You'll get them then."—Exchange.

### Poison Parts of Snakes.

All poisonous serpents have movable fangs, which are found in the upper jaw, and when not in use close up like the blade of a penknife.

At the base of every poison fang there are numerous germs of others, and the fang, if broken or lost, is replaced in a few weeks by the growth of another.

Three things too much and three too little are pernicious to man—to speak much and know little, to spend much and have little, to presume much and be worth little.—Cervantes.

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However fantastic my particular method of dealing with the tobacco habit may seem on paper it will effect a cure if faithfully carried out. In the first place, be sure that your patient really desires to break off the habit of using tobacco. In the second place, remember that your patient will react according to the impression your manner makes upon his mind. If you speak lightly of your method of treating him, he will hold that method in small esteem. Therefore, speak impressively, and if he smiles at your modus operandi frown him into a decent humility.

Suggestion alone is not sufficient to hold the average tobacco user, and you will therefore add a material medicine in the shape of—peanuts! Yes, my friend, ludicrous as the idea seems, there lies in the vulgar peanut a charm to sap the power of "My Lady Nicotine" and free the fettered slave.

In all drug habits there are two conditions to combat—physical and mental, or physiological and psychological. I use peanuts to offset the physical craving and suggestion to calm the mind.

What is the condition of the user of tobacco if the weed is withdrawn? It is important to understand this, because there is but a slight variation in one dozen cases from the average.

The condition is one of mental unrest, some physical sensations and nervousness. The withdrawal of tobacco acts as a withdrawal of a powerful nerve tonic, because this weed, used first as a nerve sedative, becomes by force of usage a nerve stimulant. Let us take the mental condition first under consideration. I do not try to put a tobacco user to sleep, because it is an unnecessary performance, but give him positive suggestions while he is sitting opposite me to the following effect:

That it will be easy to break him of the habit.

That he will not suffer, despite the fact that he has tried to break off previously, but has failed on account of the discomfort ensuing.

That he is not a hero or a being to be pitied or sympathized with, because he will not be called upon to display any heroic qualities of endurance.

That if he follows directions he will not suffer from nervousness or "sinkings" at the pit of the stomach.

That he will begin at once to gain in weight; that his memory will be sharper and more tenacious, and that his digestive organs will regain tone; that his nerves will be as steel, his muscles as iron and his complexion will lose the muddy hue which mars its comeliness.

That the habit is uncleanly—in fact, degrading—and that its gratification entails a gross waste of money. What right has he to literally burn his income when his wife is compelled to wear a gown that is out of date?

Thus, then, do I prepare the patient's mind for the lightness of the task before him, laying special stress upon the fact that he will at no time consider himself an object of compassion or self pity, for if he believe himself to be performing a deed of no small heroism he will suffer agonies, whereas if his abnegation is ignored and taken as a matter of course he will react accordingly.

Now, as to the physical symptoms, they will be but slight if the above preparation of the mind is properly done and will show themselves in occasional pains about the region of the heart, sinking at the pit of the stomach, a lassitude, weak and accelerated pulse and muscular twitchings. Nervousness, jumping at a sudden noise and irritability of temper will be in evidence, but will be greatly modified by suggestion.

Prescribe peanuts, to be eaten slowly, constantly and continually. He must be occupied. Busy him therefore with peanuts. He would, if left alone, think tobacco. He must, on the contrary, think peanuts. Has he a loathing for peanuts? All the better. He will learn to love them for their nutritious qualities and intrinsic flavor. Does his stomach rebel on the second or third day? Has he biliousness or colic? It is still well, because no man when bilious desires tobacco.

Observe that you are supplying him with material for his digestive organs to work upon, and that his jaws are not idle. There is no vacuum, and there will be under this regimen no sinking at the pit of the stomach. A feeling of fullness perhaps, a plethoric condition, a sense of satiety, but this is exactly what we desire to bring about. Keep the system busy and at work; keep the mind at rest.

Ah, my friends, how true it is that the mouse may gnaw the ropes that bind the lion! Even the plebeian peanut may be the means of restoring harmony to an afflicted household. I have known this humble agent, taken according to directions, stretch strong men upon beds of sickness from which they rose in the course of a day or two clean of heart and purged of the craving for tobacco. I have known of others whose stomachs were not upset and who went their way rejoicing and waxed fat speedily.

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"For," said he, "Tom, thou hast hurt me. But I will make shift to stand upon my legs till thou mayst withdraw, for I would not have thee troubled for what thou hast done."

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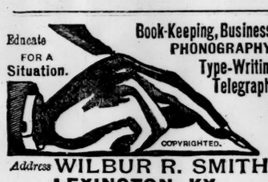

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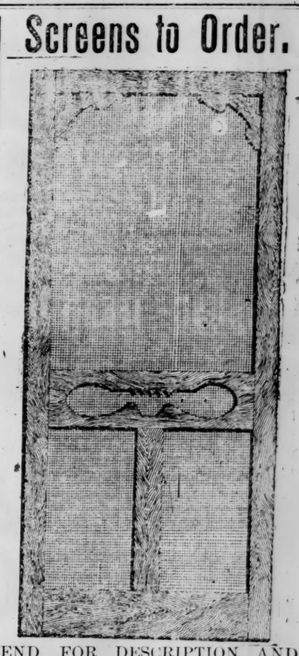

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☞Hustle! if you want to enjoy this life.

☞Two heads are better than one, but not after a night's ramble.

☞Prosperity's right hand is industry, and her left hand is frugality.

The most amiable people are those who least wound the self-love of others

☞Mayor Whitcomb has had but little business in his court this week.

☞The Governor's message was an able and interesting State document.

☞Never take advantage of a fellow who complains of hard times. Take a club.

☞The Naval Reserves have received and accepted an invitation to attend the Newbern fair.

☞Business was rather quiet about the court house this week. Very few legal transactions occurred.

☞Do not let the new leaf which you turned over the first of the year curl up at the edges. Be firm.

☞Some people should take more pains to conceal what they think to be facts. None are infallible.

☞There is work for everybody to do. You may not live on PIE, but that alone won't sustain a man who works.

☞Mr. W. D. Lathrop's stock and poultry farm is attracting the eyes of others who regard the business as profitable and pleasant.

☞The Legislature is in full blast. Bills galow are being introduced. A synopsis of those of importance will be given in our next issue.

☞Hon. C. M. Bernard writes to say that he had removed to Raleigh is an error. He is still and will remain a citizen of the First District.

☞The beautiful plants in the windows of different homes about the city attract the attention of all who has a spark of sentiment about him

☞There is always room for a man of force, and he makes room for many. Society is a troop of thinkers, and the best heads among them take the best places.

☞The Voluntary Fire Company's Band are soon to be clothed in new uniforms, and expect to accompany the Naval Reserves to the fair at Newbern

☞Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Williams have returned from an extended bridal tour North. For the present they are stopping with the family of the bride's father on Main street.

☞It is sometimes best to remain at home than to seek employment among strangers. Remember the story about the cat's coming back. Young fellow! just three words will convince you: Mother, Home and Heaven.

☞Seeing an old friend pass the office just now, we are reminded that it is always best to do to-day's duty, fight to-day's temptations. Do not weaken and distract yourself by seeking, looking forward to things you cannot see and could not understand if you could see them.

☞Mr. J. H. Fleming of the cotton factory is a fancier of poultry and is doing quite a business in this line. Yesterday he exhibited an egg that weighed 4½ ounces from a six months old Plymouth Rock chick and it was a wonder to those familia with these famous barn-yard birds.

☞At this time it may seem a little aged now to think of the old year, but while convalescing from a severe attack of grippe we have been thinking! thinking!! and every thought came back to us of the old year. It has been with us so long, and has watched our smiles and tears; has laughed with us and wept with us; has given us frinds, which, perhaps, the New Year may take to that world from whence no traveler has returned. It looked on our good deeds and also on our evil ones, and many pages in the books of our lives stained. Let us not waste our lives, however, in vain and foolish regrets, but try to improve on our past life. Gone are all the dear, sweet days that left our hearts so gay; gone all the gentle hours that touched our lips with heaven's kiss, and gone forever the keen moments of anguish that bade our hearts be still and suffer. The year has died, but the seeds it has sown brought forth their fruit as the new-born babe opened wide his wistful eyes and stretched forth his tiny hands to those who would swear allegiance Yes, the good, resolutions, the firm stern purposes that sprang spontaneously from each and every heart were the gifts of the old year to the new.

☞The editor is still unable to leave his sick room. He has been a very sick man. He has not been able to write for the paper, to attend business or correspondence. But he is rapidly gaining strength and expects to be at his office in a few days.

☞Table Linen and Towels without any extra tariff on them at Fowler & Company's.

☞An old woman told us that an iron or any polished steel, when not in use, may be kept from rusting by wiping with a rag on which a little kerosene had been poured.

☞NOTICE TO FISHERMEN:—For Nets and Twines, see Fowler & Co.

☞If you are going to buy a Parasol or Umbrella, it will pay you to examine Fowler & Co.'s before buying

☞To introduce a new method of dress cutting by measure, I offer to teach for ten days at half price, hoping the ladies will investigate and find it to their interest to take lessons. Seamless wastes a specialty; paterns cut to order. Call on J. M. C. Luke at Melick's store.

☞A local leader thinks that the Democratic party seems to be much more anxious to find a campaign issue than to serve the country.

☞One day last week a family came here from Colerain and brought all their belongings with them. They entered several residences and begged for a place to stay. There were five in the family, and they were not accomodated, though food was offered at ever house. Each had a bundle. There is nothing laughable at such a sight, but the little four-year-old-boy coming on behind with a double-barrel gun on his shoulder walked with as much dignity as Dewey.


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☞A bill to amend the Charter of Elizabeth City has already been introduced.

☞Porto Rico appears to be distientively the good little girl among the Spanish orphans.

☞The word "hustle" has been adopted in Havana without change. There is no equivalent in Spanish.

☞Havana, in any case, will be rapidly Americanized. It is so close to us that a trip there is like a ferrage.

☞The right price on Dress Goods at Fowler & Co.'s

☞SHOES, SHOES, SHOES, for the young and old at Fowler & Co's at bottom prices.

☞If you would have a new broom last long, says the old lady who just left the office, immerse it in boiling water, (she was a baptist) then dry it thoroughly, said her sister, (she was a prohibitionist) and sprinkle it with salt frequently added the old man, (he was a methodist,) and use it every time a man is so impolite as to go into your house without wipping his feet, —that's business.


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☞In the matter of engagement rings, little lady who enquires, the diamond always has and always will reign as queen. But stop! think how foolish it would be to ask a man to give you something the money he paid for which you may need in after years. If he's able, well and good, but do not let foolish pride drive your sweetheart into indebtedness.

☞The man who doesn't turn up at Moses Weisel's Gents Furnishing Goods sale is very apt to be turned down by judges of elegant styles.

☞FOR SALE.—Handsome pony, faeton and harness. Faeton, comparatively new, harness in good condition, pony warrented sound and kind. The outfit will be sold reasonable as owner has no further need for it. Apply to R. W. Berry and examine it.

☞In Elizabeth City, Thurday, January 5th, at 11 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents on Fearing street, by Rev. P. W. Melick, James Pearce Eves, esq., was married to Miss Mittie L. Daily. After the ceremony the happy couple left for the home of the groom in Salem, accompanied by the bridal attendants who were Mr. Cleyton Meads with Miss Jessie Scott and Mr. George Davis with Miss Sadie Wilcox.


**No Cure—No Pay.**

That is the way all druggists sell GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC for Chills and Malaria. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter nauseating tonics. Price, 50 cents.


☞A young man may be said to have reached the years of discretion when he takes down the pictures of actresses from his mantle and puts a portrait of his mother instead.

☞The goodby of the Spanish official to the last money drawer of the last Cuban custom house will be one of the most pathetic incidents of the new year.


**Are You Weak?**

Weakness manifests itself in the loss of ambition and aching bones. The blood is watery; the tissues are wasting—the door is being opened for disease. A bottle of Browns' Iron Bitters taken in time will restore your strength, soothe your nerves, make your blood rich and red. Do you more good than an expensive special course of medicine. Browns' Iron Bitters is sold by all dealers.


## LOCAL MENTION

The sun rose this morning at 7:09 and will set to-night at 5:08.—The advertising columns of a newspaper is the royal road to business success.—Lieut. Failing left to-day on a business trip to Washington City.—There have been very few country people in town this week.—Much complaint is made of chicken thieves in the Fifth Ward.—The many friends of Mr Fred H, Shipp will be glad to know that he is now serving his third enlistment and is fattening on the soils of Cuba.—Mr. P. D. Gallop is suffering from an attack of grippe at his home on Road street —The Lyceum Dramatic Company playing at the Academy of Music.—The Mayor's Court this week has amounted to but little of general interest.—A woman's "no" seldom means 'yes" after the fellow is hers.—A demented colored woman annoyed the people in the First Ward Sunday night by loud screams of murder, fire and such like. She was arrested by the night patrolman and locked up in the station house where she amused herself by smashing window panes and other furniture.—It isn't always safe to bet a man just because he was dull at school.—His furlough having expired, Mr. Thomas Albertson has returned to his duties as camp druggist at Savannah.—Mr. Edward Wallace and son, of Brooklyn are visiting Mr. W. H. Cropseys on Park avenue.—A woman never hurts a man so much as when she criticises his clothes.—Notice the adv. of a pony and phaeton for sale. Buy it for your wife and she won't wear out so many shoes.—Mr. J. D. Hathaway was in Fairfield this week on business.—Hope is a staff in the morning and a couch at night.—Mr. James Whitehurst, who is engage in the oyster business at Great Island with his father, spent a few days here this week visiting his mother.—The Misses Buchanan have returned to their home at Wilmington, Del., after a pleasant visit to Miss Kate Davis on Cypress street.—Facts never blink under the sunlight of evidence.—A very light snow fell yeiterday morning.—Mrs. Judge Brooks, who was confined to her bed several days last week, is now able to be up again.—The Hathaway Bros. employ a lady clerk to sell jewelry.—Sombody's boy shoved the following under our office door last night:

When dad has worn his trousers out
They pass to brother John;
Then mother trims them round about,
And William puts them on.

When William's legs too long have grown
The trousers fail to hide 'em.
So Walter claims them for his own
And stows himself inside 'em.

Next Sam's fat legs they close invest,
And when they won't stretch tighter
They're turned and shortened, washed and pressed,
And fixed on me—the writer.

Ma works them into rugs and caps
When I have bust the stitches.
At doomsday we shall see, perhaps,
The last of dad's old breeches.

The editor being sick, there was no issue of the "Fisherman and Farmer last week.—Miss Mary Watkins, of Wilson, this State, is visiting her friends on Main street.—People not accustom to visiting the freight depot of the Norfolk & Southern R. R. have very little idea of the large amount of clams shipped from here every day. They are caught down the sound and the business is carried on all the year.—Everybody took the sunny side of the street yesterday.—Business people complain that they have trouble to get war stamps to go on their checks.—"My sister is going to marry an English earl," said little Bobby. "Pooh, that's nothing! My sister's engaged to a lieutenat in the United States Navy," replied Master Thomas.—No items of general interest could be gathered at the court house by our reporter this week. In fact it has been uphill work for newspaper men this week all over town.—Cruilty to animals is not only positively a violation of the town law, but of the State as well.—Everybody keep busy Idleness is the devil's work shop.—Street Commissioner Berry is about to resign his office and engage in the grocery business in Conklin building on Main street.—Representative Skinner says he has received reasonaassurance that his bill to erect a public building here at Elizabeth City will be passed this Congress. He has reduced the amount originally named, $100,000, to $75,000, and with concession on his part, he thinks the bill will become a law.—Mr. P. H. Morgan was in the city yesterday and paid his respects to the CAROLINIAN. His expression of sympathy for the editor in his sickness is appreciated.—The coal men were busy people yesterday.—There seems to be much suffering among the poorer class of people about town.—Some of the calendars we are receiving are things of art and beauty.—The usual services will be held Sunday by the regular pastors at all the Churches.—The schooner Annie Reynolds, which was libeled here was sold last week to parties in Norfolk.—Mr. J. Q. A. Wood, of Hertford announces that he soon move his family to Durham and engage in mercantile business.—A party of several Northern gentlemen were here yesterday. They were on their way to sporting grounds of the Albemarle.—Capt. Davis, of the steamer Neuse, says there is plenty of ducks and geese down the sound and sometimes one will fly against his vessel and kill itself This often occurs at light houses.


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**HOLIDAY DISPLAY,**

It is worth your time and trouble.

# P. W. Melick.


**Herr Strauss' Eccentricities.**

Writing of the eccentricities of Herr Strauss, the dance music composer, a Vienna writer says he is as nervous as a composer as he is a director. Clad in a velvet costume, with patent leather boots reaching to his knees, his eyes aflame and in a fit of inspiration, he goes striding through the house like a maniac. If inspiration does not come to him in the salon, he clutches his papers and goes to his bedroom or to his wife's boudoir. Sometimes the waltz begun in the parlor is finished in the kitchen. Mme. Strauss, who appreciates and understands her husband's habits, has half a dozen pianos scattered through the house, and in each room a table with writing materials, so that in whatever nook her husband finds himself he is quite at home. Mme. Strauss was once a favorite actress on the Vienna stage.


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## OUR COLORED PEOPLE

BY SPECIAL REPORTER.

[Items of interest concerning the Colored People will regularly appear in this column.]

Don't forget your subscription to the CAROLINIAN.

L. T. White returned yesterday to Washington.

J. W. Horton, of Newbern, is in the city for a few days.

Miss Fannie Barbour, of Berkley, is spending a short while with relatives here

C. N. Dozier, of Jamesville, has been in the city for a few day with an idea of locating.

Mrs. L. A. Q. K. Brown has returned from a recent visit to Raleigh

The happy jingle of marriage bells continue. Another is named for this evening.

Several entertainments are announced for this week.

G. W. Owens has returned to his home at Churchman, after a short visit here.

Mrs. Martha Wilson is visiting friends in Norfolk

Miss Julia A. Capehart, one of Edenton's prominent young ladies, was in the city last week.

Mr. G. A. Mebane, returned on Monday from a trip to Edenton.

Ers. Mary E, Howard, who has been spending several days with her parents here, returned Monday to her home at Norfolk.

Miss P. E. Price left Saturday for a visit to friends at Hertford.

W. H. Jones has returned from a brief visit to his former home at Plymouth.

Mrs. Susan Davis, a well known and highly respected lady of this city, died last week after a long and painful illness.

Mrs. Rebecca Godfrey, living near town, died very suddenly last Friday. She participated in a large celebration during the day, was taken sick in the evening and died in a few hours afterwards.

The marriage of Captain H. A. W. Mebane and Miss L. V. Payte took place as announced at Corner Stone Church last Thursday evening and was quite a billiant affair The ceremony was performed by Rev. M. W. D. Norman. The happy couple received many useful and costly gifts from friends.

A number of our people are on the sick list this week.

Lily of the Valley Samaritan Lodge recently tendered Rev. P. A Anderson a complimentary reception. Short addresses were made after which all partook of the bounriful repast provided.

Pasquotank County Teachers' Association was recently organieed with the following officers: President, Prof. P. W. Moore; Secretary, Mr. A. B. Rodgers; Treasurer, Mrs. L. V. Skinner; Critic, Superviser Gaston Pool. An interesting program has been arranged and will be presented at the next meeting.


**Remarkable Rescue.**

Mrs. Michel Curtain, Plainfield Ill., makes the statement, that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs: she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested D. King's New Discovery for Conrumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from the first dose. She continued to use it and after taking six bottles found herself sound and well; now does her own housework and is as well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at A. Wadsworth's drug

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**Indian Espionage.**

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## United States Forces Take Possession of the Last Spanish Colony in the Western Hemisphere.

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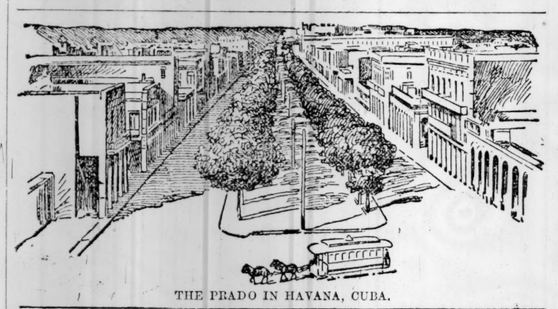
### Transference of Power Made Amid the Roar of Guns and the Cheers of the People.

## THE CEREMONIES SIMPLE AND BRIEF.

**The Great Historic Act of the Transfer of the Sovereignty of Cuba Takes Place in the Palace at Havana—The Stars and Stripes Replaces the Red and Yellow Standard of Spain—General Brooke Receives the Surrender of the Island—Cuban General Castellanos Moved to Tears—Cuban Generals Take Part in the Ceremonies—Yankee Troops Parade in the Streets of Havana—American Flag Raised Over the Wreck of the Maine—President McKinley Congratulates the Evacuation Commission.**

HAVANA, Cuba (By Cable).—Spain's historical flag floats no longer in the Antilles. The Stars and Stripes went up at noon on Sunday with impressive simplicity. The ceremony which sealed the yielding of Spanish sovereignty in Cuba took place in the Palace. The mass of the population could not be admitted there, and the people of Havana gathered along the Punta at the foot of the Prado and opposite Morro Castle and Cabanas Fortress. They saw the Spanish colors go up on Morro and receive the salutes of guns from Cabanas and from the American warships in the harbor. Quickly they saw the yellow and red standard come down and the American flag floating over Morro, Cabanas and the other forts of the city, while they heard the salute in its honor from the Spanish artillery which had been kept in Cabanas for that purpose, and also from the Spanish ships which were remaining in the harbor.

At 11.10 Major-General Wade and Major-General Butler, of the American Evacuation Commission, arrived from El Vedado on horseback, accompanied by their staffs. They were met by Brigadier-General Clous and Major T. Bentley Mott, of General Ludlow's staff.



THE PRADO IN HAVANA, CUBA.

GENERAL FITZHUGH LEE.
(The Military-Governor of the Province of Havana.)

Major-General John R. Brooke, Governor of Cuba, and Major-General Ludlow, Governor of the city of Havana, accompanied by their staffs, arrived at 11.30 in carriages. General Brooke and General Adna R. Chaffee, General Brooke's Chief of Staff, being in the first carriage. In each of the other carriages rode a Cuban General with American officers. The Cubans were Generals Lacret, Marie Menocal, Mayia Rodriguez, Serafin Sanchez, Jose Miguel Gobez, Nodarto, Rafael de Cardenas, Agramonte and Vidal and Colonel Valiente. The last to arrive was Major-General Fitzhugh Lee with his staff and guard.

Captain-General Castellanos received the Evacuation Commissioners in the main hall of the Palace, surrounded by the members of his staff. After a brief exchange of salutations, General Castellanos said:

"According to the protocol of peace, signed August 12, I, obeying the orders of the Government of her Catholic Majesty the Queen Regent of Spain, in the name of her son, his Majesty the King, deliver the island of Cuba to the Government of the United States, represented by your Commission."

GENERAL WILLIAM LUDLOW.
(The Military-Governor of the City of Havana.)

General Wade made a brief reply, and immediately turned the control of the island over to General Brooke, the Military Governor.

At this moment the Spanish flag, which had floated over Cuba for 400 years, was lowered from the palace, the Cabanas Fortress, Morro Castle and all public buildings. As the red and yellow emblems sank from their staffs General Castellanos was moved to tears. He said: "Gentlemen, I have been in many battles. I have seen death near me several times, but I never felt such profound emotion as I feel now."

As the Spanish flag was lowered it was replaced by the Stars and Stripes, and as the banner floated to the breeze it was saluted with twenty-one guns.

After the ceremony General Castellanos, instead of bidding his friends goodby, led an immediate and tearful procession to the water front, where he took a launch for the steamer Ribot, vowing he would never again set foot on Cuban soil.

Major-General Brooke, after the departure of General Castellanos, held a reception in the palace salon, the various officials paying their respects and promising allegiance to the United States.

After the American flag had been hoisted the bands played the American national hymn, and this was greeted with tremendous cheering by the crowd that had assembled in Obispo and O'Reilly streets near the palace and in the Plaza de Armas. Along the Prado and the other main streets a hundred thousand persons cheered the Americans and the United States. All the houses occupied by Cubans were decorated, the flags that had been taken down after General Ludlow's order forbidding demonstrations having been replaced. The Cubans, who at last saw the realization of their dreams of many years, were frantic with enthusiasm. The women were as wildly excited as the men, and their voices added to the uproar.

After all the formalities had been complied with and receipts had been exchanged for the forts and other properties that had belonged to the Crown, and after the flag had been raised at Cabanas by Lieutenant Fitzhugh Lee, Jr., and at the Morro by Lieutenant Wade, Generals Brooke and Ludlow and the members of the Commission proceeded to the Central Park and the Hotel de Inglaterra, where the troops under Generals Keifer, Williston, Hasbrouck, and Colonel Armfield were reviewed by General Lee, the Military-Governor of the province. The order was as follows: The Second Louisiana, First Texas, Eighth Regulars, Fourth Virginia, Sixth Missouri, Forty-ninth Iowa, Second Illinois, and 161st Indiana.

As the troops marched past the crowd cheered and in other ways gave vent to its enthusiasm. General Lee was the recipient of a rousing ovation. Flowers were thrown to him from the housetops, and ladies waved their handkerchiefs and threw kisses to him.

While the city and forts were paying honor to the American flag, there was an interesting scene in the harbor. Over every American warship the Spanish flag was raised and saluted with twenty-one guns. Then an American flag was hoisted over the torn and rust-marked wreck of the Maine. The largest, prettiest battle flag to be obtained was hoisted there.

Later every American ship in the harbor dipped her flag to the Maine, and during the afternoon the wreck was visited by thousands who desired to pay their respects to all that is left of the gallant battleship.

When the Cuban Generals bade good-by to General Brooke the latter complimented them on their courage in the war and said he was glad to be their friend. They replied that they were grateful to the United States for what she had done to free Cuba from Spanish rule, and offered to co-operate with General Brooke in bringing peace and prosperity to the island.

The United States Military Commissioners wired President McKinley at 12.30 o'clock that the Governor-General of Cuba had formerly surrendered to the Commission the Government of Cuba and that the American flag had been hoisted. In reply General Wade, President of the Commission, received the following:

"I congratulate the Commission upon the successful termination of its mission and the peaceful occupation of Cuba by the United States.

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY."

General Brooke also received the President's congratulations.

**Brazil Adopts Extradition.**

The Brazilian Congress which met at Rio Janeiro, has adjourned. Extradition with the United States and other republics was approved. The budget estimates are: $180,000,000; receipts, $193,000,000. Latin America has been a favorite refuge for high criminals because of the absence of extradition laws.

**Killed by His Own Machinery.**

While Oscar J. Frederick, proprietor of a mill near Shamrock, Penn., was adjusting a pulley a few days ago, he was caught in the belting and had his brains dashed out against the ceiling.

**Cycling Notes.**

The mile record now stands at 1 minute 31 4-5 seconds.

The question of the popularity of tandems is still being widely discussed.

Two enterprising Englishmen have invented a back-pedaling brake that has been indorsed by several well-known bicycle designers.

The price of all chain bicycles has been reduced, the cut ranging from $10 to $25, the former reduction predominating on the high grades.

The "season" for riding the bicycle is no longer governed by the almanac. The state of the roads and weather is all that needs to be considered.

There seems to be a well founded idea that 1899 is going to be a good year for the chainless wheel, one of the reasons for the notion being the decrease in price of this kind of bicycle from $125 to $75.

A well-built juvenile wheel costs, proportionately, more to manufacture than does a twenty-four or twenty-two-inch frame wheel. The difference in the quantity of materials used is trifling, while the amount of labor is fully as great as upon a full-sized wheel.

Tandem riders should always keep well within their powers, and the weaker rider should be especially careful not to do too much work. As long as the riders pedal free and keep in step, so to speak, a good pace can be maintained with comparatively little exertion.

**The Loan to Russia Refused.**

It is semi-officially announced in St. Petersburg, Russia, that the Minister of Finance, M. de Witte, is unable to accept the proposal (recently communicated by the United States Charge d'Affaires, Mr. H. H. D. Pierce) of Mr. William M. Irvine, of New York, the representative of a group of financiers, to make a large loan to Russia.

**Reconstruction Work in Cuba.**

The reconstruction of the great tobacco raising, sugar growing province of Pinar del Rio, Cuba, has begun. Absolute peace exists and the people are at work.

**A Senator Kills a Murderous Firebug.**

Charles Willard, a desperate character, shot and killed Sheriff J. W. Williams and Deputy Lamers at Seaside, Oregon, a few days ago and wounded Deputy Miller, and was himself killed by State Senator R. W. Fulton. Willard was suspected of burning Senator Fulton's summer cottage at Seaside after robbing it, and the officers were searching his house for stolen goods.

**In Pursuit of the Khalifa.**

Colonel Kitchener, brother of the Sirdar, has gone at the head of an expedition against the Khalifa, who is raiding Arab settlements in the Soudan.

**Municipal Elections in Ontario.**

Municipal elections were held throughout Ontario on Monday. The Mayors elected in the principal cities are as follows: Toronto, John Shaw, re-elected; Hamilton, J. V. Teetzel; Kingston, Dr. Ryan; Ottawa, Alderman Payment, and London, John D. Wilson. The citizens of Ottawa voted on the question as to whether street cars should be allowed to run in that city on Sunday, and decided by a large majority that they should.

**Reinforcements For General Otis.**

The critical situation in the Philippines has caused the Government to hasten the leaving of reinforcements for Manila.

# BLEW UP THE MAINE.

## A Spanish Judge Openly Accused of the Battleship's Destruction.

## CUBAN PAPER'S ALLEGATIONS.

**The El Reconcentrado Makes Serious Charges Regarding the Blowing Up of the Maine—Meeting of the Conspirators Was Well Known—The Accused Judge Hiding in Spain.**

HAVANA, Cuba (By Cable).—An open charge regarding the blowing up of the United States battleship Maine has caused something of a sensation here. The charge is made in the organ of "Cuba Libre," the El Reconcentrado.

El Reconcentrado openly asserts that Zacarias Bresmes, a Spanish judge, now a fugitive from Havana, was actively engaged in the plot which resulted in the destruction of the Maine. The paper gave a sketch of Bresmes's career previous to last February, charging him with various crimes. The paper says:

"When the Maine came into Havana harbor Bresmes openly declared in the Spanish cafes that such an act of audacity on the part of the Yankees could not pass without stringent punishment. His threats were direct and boded destruction to the American ship. His associates were Felipe Gonzales, Dion Sio Vega and Eusebio Azcue, violent Spaniards. Others with him were officers of the volunteers.

"These men boasted that the Yankees were about to get their due, though no charge can be directed against any save Bresmes. He and the hot-headed Spaniards of Murallo street met nightly at a house near the corner of Murallo and Habana streets, where the public know the plot against the Maine was concocted and all arrangements completed. When the explosion took place Bresmes was in the Tacon Theatre with friends. At the sound of the explosion he cried: 'There goes the Maine!'

"Champagne was drunk in honor of the terrible event at the moment when others were vaguely inquiring of one another what had happened."

Bresmes's name was mentioned before the American Court of Inquiry, but not sufficient evidence was forthcoming to warrant any action, and all reference to him was suppressed in the published report.

The Cubans here almost without exception regard the charges of El Reconcentrado as beyond dispute. Bresmes is now said to be hiding in Spain.

## SENATOR QUAY RENOMINATED.

**Lacks Nineteen Votes Necessary to Re-Election to the United States Senate.**

HARRISBURG, Penn. (Special).—Matthew S. Quay was renominated for the United States Senate by a caucus containing 109 of the 164 Republican members of the Pennsylvania Legislature. He received the votes of all of those present, but fifty-one anti-Quay Republicans refused to attend the caucus. The total membership of the Legislature is 254. It follows that the vote which Mr. Quay received is nineteen less than a majority.

The anti-Quay leaders confidently claim that the man they are fighting cannot be re-elected to the Senate. On the other hand, the Quay people and Senator Quay himself express confidence of ultimate victory. They say that of the absentees two members of the House, Snyder of Luzerne and Clark of Washington, were kept away by sickness, and will vote for Senator Quay. This would leave him seventeen votes short of the number necessary to elect, and the efforts of the Quay leaders are now directed toward securing these votes.

**Senator Hale's Re-Election Assured.**

AUGUSTA, Me. (Special).—The general Republican caucus of the Maine Legislature has unanimously nominated Eugene Hale for re-election to the United States Senate.

**Senator Burrows Renominated.**

LANSING, Mich. (Special).—Senator J. C. Burrows was unanimously nominated by the Republican caucus to succeed himself. As the Republicans have a large majority on joint ballot the re-election of Senator Burrows is assured.

**Senator Davis Renominated.**

ST. PAUL, Minn. (Special).—The Republican legislative caucus has unanimously renominated United States Senator Davis. This insures his election, as the Republicans have a majority of ninety in the Legislature.

## PEACE TREATY IN SENATE.

**The Document Is Referred to the Foreign Relations Committee.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special.)—When the Senate went into executive session on Wednesday, the Peace Treaty, which had just been received from the President, was laid before the Senate by Mr. Frye, who occupied the chair, in the absence of the Vice-President.

The treaty was not read, but the President's message accompanying it was. This was a simple letter of transmittal without any word of recommendation or suggestion, and was only a few lines in length. On motion of Senator Davis, the treaty was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered printed for the use of the Senate.

The presentation of the treaty aroused considerable discussion among the Senators as to its probable ratification. The impression gained from what Senators say is that the treaty will no doubt be ratified.

## GOVERNOR LOUNSBURY IN OFFICE.

**Delivers His Inaugural Address Before Connecticut Legislature.**

HARTFORD, Conn. (Special).—The biennial session of the General Assembly opened on Wednesday, and Governor-elect Lounsbury was escorted from his hotel to the Capitol by the Hartford and New Haven companies of the Governor's Foot and Horse Guards. After the Governor and the other officers had taken the oath of office the inaugural address was delivered before the Assembly in joint session. The message referred to the advisability of retrenchment in State expenses; favored good roads, suggested changes for the National Guard, and recommended that steps be taken for the passage of a constitutional amendment to provide for the division of the State into Senatorial districts of equal population.

**A Widow's Terrible Death.**

Mrs. Lucretia Kent, a widow of Springfield, Ill., met her death in a terrible way by starvation. One hand was pinioned under a heavy folding bed when she was found by a friend. The body was badly decomposed, showing that death had occurred many days ago. The woman lived alone in the house.

**A Military Honor For Roosevelt.**

President McKinley at Washington will nominate Governor Roosevelt for the brevet rank of Brigadier General for gallant conduct at the battle of San Juan.

**The Labor World.**

In San Francisco a move is on foot to amalgamate all the unions in the central body—the Labor Council.

Judge Meyers, of Bloomington, Ill., has decided that the union labor only clause in contracts has no standing before the court.

The native laborers of Mexico, the peon, receives from fifteen to twenty-five cents per day in Mexican silver at common labor.

The strike of the grocers' employes of Paris, France, has suddenly collapsed. It is stated that many of the strikers obtained their demands.

The Boston (Mass.) city council has ordered all city departments to advance the wages of laborers in the city employ to $2.25 per day.

Delivery wagon drivers of Duluth, Minn., are organizing.

New Albany, Ind., has a federal labor union composed of printers, cigarmakers and iron molders.

The New Jersey State Board of Arbitration reports that for the year 1898 not a single strike has been successfully arbitrated in New Jersey by that body.

The Italian council of state recently decided that communes must abstain from granting subsidies from their budgets in support of the foundation or development of chambers of labor.

The native labor of Hawaii is of a very low grade, the average wages being as high as $5 per week. The prevailing labor is Japanese, who get $15 per month, and Chinese, who get $16 and $17 per month.

# OUR EDICT TO FILIPINOS.

## The President's Proclamation of Instruction to General Otis.

## MILITARY AUTHORITY SUPREME.

**Conciliatory Language Toward Inhabitants of the Islands—Notice That Ports Will Be Free to All Nations—To Redeem the People From the Consequences of Spanish Misrule.**

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The following is the text of the instructions sent to General Otis, in command of the United States forces in the Philippines, to be proclaimed to the Filipinos as expressive of the purposes of the United States:

"ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
"WASHINGTON, December 27, 1898.

"General Otis, Manila.

"By direction of the Secretary of War I have the honor to transmit herewith instructions of the President relative to the administration of affairs in the Philippine Islands:

"EXECUTIVE MANSION,
"WASHINGTON, December 21, 1898.

"To the Secretary of War.

"Sir—The destruction of the Spanish fleet in the harbor of Manila by the United States naval squadron, commanded by Rear-Admiral Dewey, followed by the reduction of the city and the surrender of the Spanish forces, practically effected the conquest of the Philippine Islands and the suspension of Spanish sovereignty therein.

"With the signature of the treaty of peace between the United States and Spain by their respective plenipotentiaries at Paris, on the 10th inst., and as the result of the victories of American arms, the future control, disposition and government of the Philippine Islands are ceded to the United States. In fulfillment of the rights of sovereignty thus acquired and the responsible obligations of government thus assumed the actual occupation and administration of the entire group of the Philippine Islands becomes immediately necessary, and the military government heretofore maintained by the United States in the city, harbor and bay of Manila is to be extended with all possible dispatch to the whole of the ceded territory.

"In performing this duty the Military Commander of the United States is enjoined to make known to the inhabitants of the Philippine Islands that, in succeeding to the sovereignty of Spain, in severing the former political relations of the inhabitants and in establishing a new political power, the authority of the United States is to be exerted for the security of the persons and property of the people of the Islands and for the confirmation of all their private rights and relations."

The proclamation then states that we come as friends to protect the natives in their homes and in their personal and religious rights. All persons who accept the authority of the United States will receive its support and protection, while those who may antagonize our interests will be brought within the lawful rule we have assumed without unnecessary severity.

The proclamation continues, "Within the absolute domain of military authority, which necessarily is, and must remain, supreme in the ceded territory until the legislation of the United States shall otherwise provide, the municipal laws of the territory in respect to private rights and property and the repression of crime are to be considered as continuing in force, and to be administered by the ordinary tribunals so far as practicable. The operations of civil and municipal government are to be performed by such officers as may accept the supremacy of the United States by taking the oath of allegiance, or by officers chosen, as far as may be practicable, from the inhabitants of the islands."

The statement is then made that while the revenues of the State passes with the cession, and while the use and management of all means of transportation are reserved to the authority of the United States, all private property is to be respected, except for cause duly established. The taxes and duties become payable to the authorities of the United States. If private property be taken for military use it shall be paid for at a fair valuation. All the ports and places under the actual jurisdiction of the United States forces are to be opened to the commerce of all friendly nations.

The proclamation concludes: "Finally, it should be the earnest and paramount aim of the military administration to win the confidence, respect and affection of the inhabitants of the Philippines by assuring to them in every possible way that full measure of individual rights and liberties which is the heritage of free peoples, and by proving to them that the mission of the United States is one of benevolent assimilation, substituting the mild sway of justice and right for arbitrary rule.

"In the fulfillment of this high mission, supporting the temperate administration of affairs for the greatest good of the governed, there must be sedulously maintained the strong arm of authority, to repress disturbance and to overcome all obstacles to the bestowal of blessings of good and stable government upon the people of the Philippine Islands under the free flag of the United States.

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

"To H. C. Corbin, Adjutant-General."

## AGUINALDO GOES TO ILOILO.

**He Heads the Insurgent Army to Fight the United States Forces.**

PARIS, France (By Cable).—An official telegram received by the Filipino Junta here says that Aguinaldo has gone to Iloilo, at the request of the insurgents there, to place himself at their head.

The Filipino who furnishes this information also categorically and specifically asserts that if the Americans insist upon the occupation of the principal cities by the American troops the whole of the Filipinos will "resist by force of arms."

**Proclamation Issued at Manila.**

MANILA, Philippine Islands (By Cable).—President McKinley's proclamation to the Filipinos, cabled to Major-General Otis from Washington, has been issued here.

**Dewey Wanted in Ohio in 1903.**

City Clerk Lem P. Harris, of Toledo, Ohio, is in receipt of a letter from Admiral Dewey, who was invited to be the guest of honor to open the Ohio Centennial, May 1, 1903. The Admiral expresses his thanks for the honor and says that while it is impossible for him at present to make any definite arrangements it would give him pleasure should circumstances at that time render it possible to accept the invitation.

**Our Flag on the Thames.**

The naturalized American steamship Unionist for Mobile from Memel, Prussia, arrived in the Thames, England, a few days ago. She is the first American vessel that has entered the port of London since 1897 and the first merchant steamship flying the Stars and Stripes that has been seen there in many years.

**The Viceroy Arrives at Calcutta.**

Lord Curzon, the new Viceroy to India has arrived at Calcutta, where he was enthusiastically received.

**Newsy Gleanings.**

The Georgia Legislature reduced the appropriation for schools from $1,000,000 to $800,000.

The Government of Victoria, Australia, has accepted the tender of an American firm for 35,000 tons of steel rails.

The War Department, Washington, has been advised of a scheme to inaugurate wholesale smuggling from Havana.

Camaguey, the war-horse of Antonio Maceo, which he rode at the time of his death, was sold a few days ago at Savannah, Ga., at auction for $40.

Belgrade's Svpski Dojck has suspended publication for a time, as the sixteenth editor it has had in two years has joined his fifteen predecessors in jail.

Deibler, France's public executioner, has retired after thirty-eight years' service.

The new French naval budget for 1899 calls for an expenditure of a little over $60,000,000, being an increase of about $4,000,000 over the preceding year.

Commissioner-General Peck, at Chicago, appointed Charles Richard Dodge, of New York, Director of Agriculture of the American exhibit at the Paris Exposition.

An American syndicate has obtained the right to build a railroad in Ecuador which will open up the interior of the country. It will also establish a bank in Guayaquil.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union has threatened to boycott a struggling Congregational school in Oklahoma unless a gift of $1000 from a brewer be returned.

**Leze-Majesty a the Dinner Table.**

The latest example of leze-majesty in Germany is apparently more diverting than serious. The offence occurred at Spandau, near Berlin, and the offender is a stonemason with a numerous family. The mason did not go out of his way to commit the offense for which he had been arrested. He was simply having dinner in the bosom of his family when, in the midst of the talk that was going on, he let fall some observations which were not exactly complimentary to the Kaiser. To his great surprise his wife did more than dissent from his views. She went to the nearest police station and denounced her husband, who was immediately arrested. — London Globe.

**A Steady Doorkeeper.**

The doorkeeper of the Boston Theatre, who died recently, held his place thirty-three years, and in all that time never witnessed a play there or anywhere else. On only one occasion he asked for a holiday, and that was to attend a clambake down the harbor. He missed the boat, and was in his place at the theatre door at the regular hour.

**Chalk For a Foundation.**

There is a village in England built upon an enormous bowlder of chalk. This bowlder is half a mile long, and must have been carried coastward a distance of twenty-five miles by some great iceberg. It was dropped to the bottom of the glacial sea, where it became partly covered and surrounded by blue-gray bowlder clay.—London Answers.

**Suicide by Alligator.**

A favorite mode of suicide among the African tribes who dwell near Lake Nyassa is for a native to wade into the lake and calmly wait for a crocodile to open its mouth and swallow him.


**Feel the Influence.**

Cold and heat alike aggravate neuralgia, because the nerves feel the cold and heat sensitively, but nerves are sensitive to treatment and feel the influence of St. Jacobs Oil, which cures the ailment promptly.


The city of Besancon, France, will erect a monument to the memory of Victor Hugo.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Clean blood means clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.


The island of Cuba has an area about that of the State of Ohio.


**Deafness Cannot Be Cured**

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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Sold by Druggists, 75c.
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Porto Rico is equal to Long Island in length and is twice as broad.


**Lane's Family Medicine.**

Moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Acts gently on the liver and kidneys. Cures sick headache. Price 25 and 50c.


It is estimated that 3000 marriages are daily performed throughout the world.


**Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.**

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or $1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.


Eight thousand carrier pigeons are kept for use in the German army.


**Makes the Spot Vanish.**

A slight rap may cause a bruise, or a slight blow a black one, sore and tender. But it is easy to cure a bruise by the use of St. Jacobs Oil, and make the spot vanish and the soreness heal.


The salmon catch in the Columbia for 1898 was 6,018,022 pounds less for 1897.


**To Cure a Cold in One Day.**

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.


Amateur photographers in Russia are obliged to secure licenses.


**To Cure Constipation Forever.**

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.


A pneumatic corset, for the use of women learning to swim, has been invented.


The advantages of Sulphur as a purifier Glenn's Sulphur Soap places within reach of all. Hill's Hair & Whisker Dye, black or brown, 50c.


The skeleton measures one inch less than the height of the living man.


Piso's Cure for Consumption is an A No. 1 Asthma medicine.—W. R. WILLIAMS, Antioch, Ills., April 11, 1896.


The world uses over 3,500,000 steel pens a day.


**Coughs Lead to Consumption.**

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Typewriting is to be taught in the public schools of New York City.


Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c. a bottle.


The first marine insurance was the Roy Exchange, founded in 1720.


**No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents.**

Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. $1. All druggists.


Business is booming in the South and West, and not a railroad in that territory fails to show big gains over previous years.


**Knocks Coughs and Colds.**

Dr. Arnold's Cough Killer cures Coughs and Colds. Prevents Consumption. All druggists. 25c.


Blind men outnumber blind women by two to one.


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Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.


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We will give you your choice, a new full-sized, 40 pound curled hair mattress, upholstered by union workmen, covered in best hair ticking, or a pure down quilt, or cash, for your old feather bed. If you are not satisfied, send back your mattress or quilt and we will return your feathers. Established 20 years. Bank references.
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Not worth paying attention to, you say. Perhaps you have had it for weeks.

It's annoying because you have a constant desire to cough. It annoys you also because you remember that weak lungs is a family failing.

At first it is a slight cough.
At last it is a hemorrhage.
At first it is easy to cure.
At last, extremely difficult.

# Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

quickly conquers your little hacking cough.

There is no doubt about the cure now. Doubt comes from neglect.

For over half a century Ayer's Cherry Pectoral has been curing colds and coughs and preventing consumption. It cures Consumption also if taken in time.

Keep one of Dr. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral Plasters over your lungs if you cough.

Shall we send you a book on this subject, free?

Our Medical Department.

If you have any complaint whatever and desire the best medical advice you can possibly obtain, write the doctor freely. You will receive a prompt reply, without cost.
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**A Spanish Woman's Gift.**

After the three days' fighting we moved from San Juan Hill to another, that we came later to call Misery Hill. It was while we were on Misery Hill that Private Earl got the Spanish mantilla. The Spanish refugees were at El Caney and Earl and I ran the guard lines and went there to look at them. That was after the surrender. Some of the refugees were well dressed, but all were hungry. Seated on the porch of a cottage we encountered a handsomely attired Spanish woman. We opened communication by signs.

The woman signed that she was hungry. Earl emptied his haversack of bacon and hardtack and gave it to her. After a little further attempt at thumb and finger conversation we started on. We had not gone many steps when the woman caught up with us and thrust her mantilla into Earl's hands. He tried to refuse it, but she would not take it back. So he thanked her and we continued our siroll. The mantilla was a beautiful piece of fabric. It was silk, so soft that you could crush it into a single handful, and embroidered with life-like figures in gold.

"What in thunder," I asked "will you do with the mantilla?"

Earl held it up and let the sun shine through its folds, bringing out all its silken beauty, and said with a smile:

"I'll take it home for my mother to wear on Sundays."

Private Earl died of fever at Montauk Point. The newspapers say his mother vainly searched for him through that big camp for four weary days. And then found not her son, but his grave. I sometimes wonder if she ever got that mantilla.—New York Sun.

**Parnell's Dislike of Green.**

Though green is his nation's color Parnell had a superstitious dislike of it. Some of his letters were once confiscated. Among them was one to his sister at Avondale, begging her to have a certain green wall-paper removed. When he was imprisoned at Kilmainham a friend thought to brighten his cell by sending a tablecloth. It happened to be green. Parnell immediately huddled it up in a corner. "Green is an unlucky color!" he exclaimed.

**An Argument.**

It is the part of every householder, or any one in authority, public or private, to carefully consider orders before they are given. But after they are issued it would be suicidal to all government to argue out the matter with employe, servant, or child. From the nature of things, they cannot judge the necessity or worth of the command it is their part to carry out.

Many funny stories are told of freshly trained soldiers and sailors, to whom the thought was new that their first virtue was implicit obedience. One such tale dates back to our Civil War, and is told for truth by one who overheard it. A sailor of one of the big gunboats of the time was notorious for his lazy habits, as well as for his ingenuousness in finding excuses for his careless ways. While seemingly honest, he was often hauled up for reprimand or punishment.

The captain, a passionate man and a believer in stern discipline, lost patience with Tom, and when the fellow was brought before him for the third time in one week for some neglect of work, he said, angrily,

"What—again, Tom?"

"I'm not here of my own will, sir," began simple Tom.

And poor Tom, finding his efforts to speak were cut off, at last